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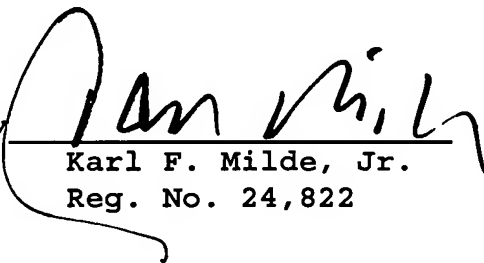
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The aforementioned references were cited in the International Search Report for applicant's corresponding International Application No. PCT/DE2003/004147, a copy of which is enclosed.

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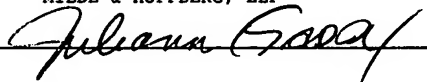
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